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SUBJECT: WEISMAN PROPOSAL TO MEET GAMASY

REF: (A) STATE 163976 (B) TEL AVIV 8022

1. FOLLOWING GAMASY'S RETURN FROM ALEXANDRIA TODAY,
I CALLED HIM ON SECURE PHONE TO CONVEY WEIZMAN MESSAGE
(REF B). HE ASKED THAT FOLLOWING REPLY BE CONVEYED
TO WEIZMAN: QUOTE THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I RECEIVED
YOUR MESSAGE. UNQUOTE. NOTHING MORE.

2. GAMASY THEN SAID HE WISHED BRING ME UP TO DATE
ON STATUS HIS EXCHANGES WITH WEIZMAN. HE RECALLED TWO
PREVIOUS WEIZMAN MESSAGES HE HAD RECEIVED DURING PAST
SIX WEEKS SUGGESTING MEETING (CAIRO 11414 AND 13719).
HE HAD YESTERDAY RECEIVED A THIRD MESSAGE FROM WEIZMAN
AGAIN SUGGESTING THAT THEY MEET IN CAIRO. WEIZMAN
MESSAGE HAD ALSO QUOTED VERBATIM TEXT JULY 18 ISRAELI
CABINET REPLIES TO USG QUESTIONS. IN LIGHT THOSE
REPLIES, WEIZMAN'S LATEST MESSAGE PROPOSED THAT THEY
MEET TO DISCUSS ENTIRE PROBLEM. IT ALLEGEDLY EXPRESSED
CONFIDENCE THAT THE TWO OF THEM CAN WORK SOMETHING
OUT. ASSISTANCE OF USG, WEIZMAN SUGGESTED, IS NOT

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NECESSARY. WEIZMAN ALSO INDICATED THAT IF CAIRO VENUE
NOT ACCEPTABLE, HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO MEET WITH GAMASY
ANYWHERE ELSE THAT THE LATTER MIGHT SUGGEST. THIS IS
FIRST TIME, ACCORDING TO GAMASY, THAT WEIZMAN HAS IN-
DICATION WILLINGNESS MEET OUTSIDE OF EGYPT. HE HAD
PREVIOUSLY INSISTED VENUE SHOULD BE CAIRO.

3. GAMASY SAID HE SENT THE LATEST WEIZMAN MESSAGE TO SADAT IN ALEXANDRIA TODAY WITHOUT COMMENT OR RECOMMENDATION. HE HAS NOT YET HAD INSTRUCTIONS FROM SADAT.

4. RE HAARETZ ARTICLE ALLEGING GAMASY PROPOSED MEETING WITH WEIZMAN, GAMASY INSISTS THIS IS NOT TRUE. ALL SUGGESTIONS FOR MEETINGS, HE CLAIMS, HAVE COME FROM ISRAELI SIDE. EILTS

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